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Application Number	10/757711	Docket Number	NEXTIO.0302
Filed	01/14/04	Group Art Unit	2661
Examiner	BRIAN D. NGUYEN	Customer No.	23669
Application Title	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SHARED I/O IN A LOAD/STORE FABRIC		
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 8/16/2005, with a shortened statutory period of response set to expire 9/16/05, Applicant responds as follows. A Petition for Extension of Time (1 month) is attached hereto which if granted will extend the period of response to 10/16/2005.

Claims 1-59 were presented in the above referenced patent application. The Examiner drew a three way restriction:

- I. Claims 1-28 drawn to a network interface controller
- II. Claims 29-36 drawn to a data storage controller
- III. Claims 38-59 drawn to an apparatus and method to allow at least two root complexes to share an endpoint device within a fabric

Applicant hereby elects to proceed with Invention I, to claims 1-28. Applicant will be filing two Continuation applications corresponding to Inventions II and III.

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37 CFR 1.111 Amendment dated 00/00/0000
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Applicant earnestly requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned practitioner by telephone if the Examiner has any questions or suggestions concerning this amendment, the application, or allowance of any claims thereof.

Respectfully submitted,
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